

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2467

INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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EO 11652: NA

TAGS:ETRN CO PN

SUBJ: DARIEN GAP HIGHWAY INJUNCTION

REF: STATE 296832

1. ON DECEMBER 18 EMBOFFS CALLED ON ALFREDO BATEMAN (COUNSELOR TO THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS) AND HUGO MAYA (EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE DARIEN HIGHWAY DIVISION OF THE MINISTER) AND DISCUSSED CONTEMPLATED OUT-OF-COURT SETTLEMENT, DRAWING ON INFORMATION CONTAINED PARA 2 OF REFTEL. BOTH BATEMAN AND MAYA WERE DELIGHTED WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A SETTLEMENT THAT WOULD PERMIT CONTINUATION OF DESIGN AND SURVEY WORK IN COLOMBIA. EMBOFFS STRESSED THAT ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION WOULD DEPEND ON FILING OF EIS AS WELL AS ON USDA DECISION REGARDING PROGRESS IN AFTOSA CONTROL PROGRAM.

2. NEITHER BATEMAN NOR MAYA VIEWED THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AS A VIOLATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HIGHWAY. THEY CONSIDER THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT TO BE HIGHLY APPROPRIATE, NOT ONLY AS A RESPONSE TO COLOMBIAN DESIRES TO CONTINUE WITH WORK ALREADY IN PROGRESS

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BUT ALSO AS A MEANS OF PERMITTING THE US TO MOVE AHEAD

WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE AGREEMENT.  
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